

## MQA-2: POST ORIENTATION

**PREREQUISITES:** MQA-1

**REQUIRED READING:** None

**PURPOSE:** Familiarize new ALO with post facilities and location

### Introduction - (Slide 2)

Ft Hood is the largest Army post in the country. This lesson will break down the significant locations on the post for Air Force personnel. The maps are not to scale but show the approximate location of the vital facilities. The topics discussed are as follows:

- ☐ CORPS Headquarters
- ☐ Division Headquarters
- ☐ Air Force Units
- ☐ Central Issue Facility
- ☐ Medical Facilities
- ☐ Housing
- ☐ Military Police
- ☐ Range Control
- ☐ Simulator Locations
- ☐ Local Ranges

### Corps Headquarters – (Slide 3)

Corps Headquarters is building 1001 located on 761<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion just to the west of Hood Road. The easiest way to find the building is to enter Ft. Hood through the main gate (Hood Road) off of Highway 190. Turn left at the third traffic light (761<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion). The III Corps building will be about 3000 feet on the left. It is a modern looking three-story building designed in the shape of an “X”. Inside the building are the III Corps Headquarters and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Air Support Operations Group (3<sup>rd</sup> ASOG).

The III Corps has one main entrance and military ID is required for entry. To go to the 3<sup>rd</sup> ASOG, use the elevator or stairs and go to the third floor. Once on the third floor, go through the turnstile or any door and turn right. Walk to the end of the hall and turn left into what is called the West Atrium. The 3<sup>rd</sup> ASOG will be directly across the open atrium. To make sure it is the right door, look for the words “Air Force” on the door.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> ASOG is where the Commander’s Orientation is scheduled. The commander’s secretary will set up the appointment and can be reached at 287-8817 for more information or for scheduling the appointment with the group commander.

### Division Headquarters – (Slides 4 - 5)

There are two divisions on Fort Hood called the 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division (1<sup>st</sup> CAV) and the 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division (4<sup>th</sup> ID). The best way to figure where one division stop and the next begins is to divide Fort Hood in half at Fort Hood Street. West of the road is 1<sup>st</sup> CAV territory and east is 4<sup>th</sup> ID.

1<sup>st</sup> CAV is located in Bldg 28000 on 761<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion. The directions to the 1<sup>st</sup> CAV are initially the same as for the III Corps building. When at the intersection of Hood Road and 761<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, turn left and proceed through three traffic lights and then look to the right. The 1<sup>st</sup> CAV building is a modern three-story brick building with parking on the west and east sides of the building. Within the 1<sup>st</sup> CAV building are various departments. MQA-11 will walk through the building and explain what each department does. Because the 9<sup>th</sup> ASOG supports the 1<sup>st</sup> CAV, the division planners spend most of their time in this building (next slide).

The 4<sup>th</sup> ID is located in Bldg 410 on 761<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion. The directions to the 4<sup>th</sup> ID are initially the same as for the III Corps building. When at the intersection of Hood Road and 761<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, turn right and proceed through four traffic lights and then look to the left. The 4<sup>th</sup> ID building is a modern three-story brick building with parking on the west side of the building. Within the 4<sup>th</sup> ID building are various departments. MQA-11 will walk through the building and explain what each department does. Because the 11<sup>th</sup> ASOS supports the 4<sup>th</sup> ID, the division planners spend most of their time in this building (next slide).

## **Air Force Units – (Slides 6 – 10)**

### **3<sup>rd</sup> ASOG**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> ASOG is co-located with the III Corps headquarters in Bldg 1001. The main job of the 3<sup>rd</sup> ASOG is to liaison with the III Corps Commander and conduct group related functions for the Air Force squadrons aligned with III Corps. The Group Commander is the III Corps ALO (next slide).

### **9<sup>th</sup> ASOS**

The 9<sup>th</sup> ASOS is located on West Fort Hood near the airfield. The best way to get to the 9<sup>th</sup> ASOS is to take the West Fort Hood exit off of Highway 190. Turn south and continue until there is a red and white water tower just off the road on the left side (4-5 miles). Building 90042 is the closest building to the water tower. The first two floors of the building are the 9<sup>th</sup> ASOS and the third floor is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Weather Squadron (WS) (next slide).

### **11<sup>th</sup> ASOS**

The 11<sup>th</sup> ASOS is located on 27<sup>th</sup> St. The directions to the 11<sup>th</sup> ASOS are initially the same as for the III Corps building. When at the intersection of Hood Road and 761<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, continue to the second traffic light. The road is named “Hell on wheels” going westbound and “Old Ironsides” going eastbound. Turn right and proceed to 27<sup>th</sup> St and turn left. The road will continue for one block and come to a “T” intersection. To the right before the “T” intersection is the 11<sup>th</sup> ASOS. It is a trailer looking building with parking on the west side of the building and a maintenance yard on the south side (next slide).

### **712<sup>th</sup> ASOC**

The 712<sup>th</sup> ASOC is located on 53<sup>rd</sup> St. The directions to the 712<sup>th</sup> ASOC are initially the same as for the III Corps building. When at the intersection of Hood Road and 761<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion, continue to the third traffic light. The road is named “North Ave”. Turn left and proceed to 53<sup>rd</sup> St and turn right. The road will continue for one block and come to a “T” intersection. To the left just before the “T” intersection is the 712<sup>th</sup> ASOC. It is a modern two-story brick building with parking on the south side of the building and a maintenance yard on the north side (next slide).

### **3<sup>rd</sup> WS**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> WS is co-located with the 9<sup>th</sup> ASOS and is on the third floor. A map for directions is in attachment 4. The WS also has facilities at the airfield tower on west Fort Hood and at the 9<sup>th</sup> ASOS motor pool (next slide).

Our Air Force personnel are located at other Army installations other than Fort Hood. The 10<sup>th</sup> ASOS is located at Fort Riley, Kansas and the 13<sup>th</sup> ASOS is located at Fort Carson, Colorado.

## **Central Issue Facility – (Slide 11)**

Central Issue Facility (CIF) is the Army supply store. CIF will issue items such as chemical warfare suit, canteens, winter gear, etc. Check with your squadron to get a list of items required. Match the list with the list CIF gives. Every item issued, must be returned in clean and serviceable condition. CIF personnel are sticklers for the cleanliness. Even if the equipment was never worn, you will be responsible for it. So, store it in a clean, cool, safe, and dry place. The items worn for normally field duty can be assembled by experienced ROMAD's (Radio Operator Maintenance and Driver). Prior to use, ensure the equipment is right and all items are serviceable. The building is located on Tank Destroyer on the west side of main Fort Hood post (next slide)

## **Medical Facilities – (Slides 12 – 13)**

### **Dental**

The Billy Johnson Dental Clinic provides dental service for all Air Force personnel. The clinic is located in building 36014 adjacent to the Hospital (Darnell Medical Center).

### **Medical**

Medical service for the Army is done at the Darnell Medical Center or one of the many troop medical centers (TMC) located throughout the post (next slide). An individual is assigned to a TMC depending on where they are assigned to work and possibly based on rank or position. Most pilots have their medical appointments done at Randolph AFB or Dyess AFB. Check with sponsor or orderly room for correct facility.

## **Housing – (Slide 14)**

The housing office is located just off the corner of Hood Road on 761<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion. The building sits back off of 761<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion on the south side about 300 meters from the Hood Rd. intersection. All incoming personnel must check in with the housing office whether or not they choose to live on or off post. The lines in the housing office are normally long so expect it to take a couple of hours to talk to a housing representative (next slide).

## **Military Police – (Slide 15)**

Fort Hood is a partially closed post effective 1 July 2001. So, it is necessary to go through the military police to register vehicles when assigned to Fort Hood. The process is quick if all required documents are present. Need to have proof of insurance, license plate number, and a valid driver license. The Military Police building is located on the corner of 58<sup>th</sup> Street and 761<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion (next slide).

## **Range Control – (Slide 16)**

The squadrons do their own range orientation. The times to coordinate with Range Control is when Schoal Creek, PD-94, or small arms ranges will be activated. The Range Control building is located on South Range Road (or North Ave, they come together near the Range Control building) near the Fort Hood Airfield on the main Fort Hood Post. There is a red flag hanging in front of the building to identify it and show that the ranges are activated (next slide).

## **Simulator Locations – (Slides 17 – 19)**

### **Close Combat Tactical Trainer (CCTT)**

The CCTT is located just to the west of the 712<sup>th</sup> ASOC off of South Range Road. This simulator is useful for National Training Center (NTC) navigation and orientation as well as local range navigation and orientation. The CCTT is also useful for Call For Fire training. The Standardization and Evaluation office can assist more with instruction and operation (next slide).

### **JANUS Facility**

The JANUS facility is located at the corner of 53<sup>rd</sup> St. and North Ave. The simulator is used as a Brigade exercise in employment in preparation for NTC. It is important to realize that it represents CAS poorly. It is important to explain how CAS will really work and why the simulator is so inaccurate (next slide).

**SIM Center**

The SIM center is located on 62<sup>nd</sup> St near the Hospital. Large exercises are accomplished there usually at the Division and Corps levels. Brigade play is important and needed for the simulation. At the Brigade level, the computer is worthless and CAS operation should be carried out as if the timing is working properly. MQS-4 will explain more on the workings of the SIM center.

**Local Ranges – (Slide 20)**

Fort Hood has two major ranges. The main range is located north of the main Post. West Fort Hood has some small ranges located on the North west of West Fort Hood and to the South East. All ALOs will be driven around the two major Fort Hood ranges as an orientation in order for this lesson to be complete.

**Conclusion – (Slide 21)**

Upon completing this lesson, the ALO should have a basic understanding of the locations of the major places on Fort Hood. This lesson will be completed by a range orientation drive of the two major Fort Hood ranges.